

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Device for joining faces of parts having great longitudinal extension by friction welding. The device includes first and second clamping arrangements structured and arranged to position ends of the parts against one another. At least one of the first and second clamping arrangements are axially movable with respect to another of the first and second clamping arrangements. At least one of the first and second clamping arrangements are movable along a direction that is parallel to a part cross-sectional plane, whereby the part cross-sectional plane is define by an end face of one of the parts. This Abstract is not intended to define the invention disclosed in the specification, nor intended to limit the scope of the invention in any way.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

*Please replace the sole drawing of the instant application with attached "Replacement Sheet" drawing. Applicant submits that no new matter has been added.*

The drawing has been amended to replace the handwritten numbers 1, 1', 2, 2', 3, 3', 4, 41, 5, 5', 11, 11', 12, 12', 31 and 31', with corresponding typewritten numbers. Copy marks have also been removed from the drawing. This drawing amendment is in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed on June 2, 2004.